GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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SECURITY CHECK FOR FORGED DOCUMENTS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Air India security staff at IGI airport check documents of passengers travelling on Air India flights and other airlines;

(b) if so, the procedure for checking documents;

(c) whether Air India security put any acknowledgement stamp after checking the documents;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) if not, the reasons therefore;

(f) the number of passengers during the last three years who travelled on forged documents; and

(g) the action taken against the erring security officials?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. Air India security staff at IGI Airportcheck travel documents of the passengers travelling on flights of Air India and Virgin Atlantic Airlines to ensure the genuineness and validity of the passport and visa.
(c) No, Sir.
(d) Does not arise.
(e) No acknowledgement stamp is put by Air India security staff since basic responsibility of document checking is of Bureau of Immigration, who are authorised to affix stamp on the passport of the passengers after verifying the genuineness of the passport and visa. Air India security staff check documents as an added precautionary measure.
(f) & (g) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.